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U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Application Serial No. 10/392,574 (attorney docket no. Alicherry 1-1-1-16), filed March 20, 2003 and entitled "Low Latency Shared Data Path Allocation."

Other Documents

1. V. Poosala et al., "FASTeR: Shared Restoration Without Signaling," OFC, pp. 1-4, March 2003.

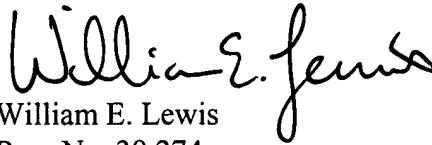
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